

## Message Text

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FM SECSTATE WASHDC

TO AMEMBASSY CARACAS

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR VE RQ

SUBJECT: PRESIDENT PEREZ CRITICISM OF PRESIDENT FORD'S  
PROPOSAL ON PUERTO RICO

REF: CARACAS 0003 AND CARACAS 0004

1. IN ACCORDANCE WITH YOUR SUGGESTION PARA 4 CARACAS  
0004, ARA/AND OFFICE DIRECTOR ON JANUARY 12 TOLD  
AMBASSADOR IRIBARREN THAT WE WERE SURPRISED BY --- AND  
QUESTION THE APPROPRIATENESS OF --- PRESIDENT PEREZ'  
PUBLIC CRITICISM IN HIS NEW YEAR'S "STATE OF THE NATION"  
MESSAGE DELIVERED BEFORE THE ASSEMBLED DIPLOMATIC CORPS  
AND OTHER DIGNITARIES OF PRESIDENT FORD'S PROPOSAL FOR  
PUERTO RICAN STATEHOOD.

2. THIS POINT WAS MADE AS ONE OF MANY CONTAINED IN AN  
EXTENDED CONVERSATION. WHILE IT DID NOT IMPAIR THE  
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OVER-ALL AIR OF FRIENDLY CORDIALITY, AMBASSADOR IRIBARREN  
CLEARLY GOT THE MESSAGE AND MAY BE REPORTING IT BACK TO  
CARACAS.

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